

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 26 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 27 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 26 Aug 2023 at 02:34 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in showery weather initially however uncertainty in amount and timing of showers, low confidence in the forecast from Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 26 Aug 2023: Bright start but showers developing perhaps some sunny spells further west.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 26 Aug 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	50%	70%	70%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 26 Aug 2023

Weather: A bright start although some early morning mist and fog patches are likely especially around northern facing hills. A few sunny spells for the more eastern ranges towards Speyside and perhaps the Northern Cairngorms but then turning showery once again in the afternoon and evening, showers tending to move through reasonably well in fresh northerly breezes.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, early morning low cloud will tend to lift and thin.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken low cloud for northern ranges in the morning above 600m will lift and thin although not likely to clear altogether especially around Monadhliath and Ben Alder where it might be more persistent. Cloud thickening and lowering temporarily in any heavier afternoon showers. Visibility will be generally good but become moderate in heavier showers and very poor in early mist and fog.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	16/20 NE	13/17 N	10/14 NW	10/13 N	12/16 N	17/21 N	16/21 N
900	11/13 NE	9/12 N	7/10 W	7/10 N	9/12 N	11/14 N	10/13 N
600	6/7 NE	5/8 N	5/8 SW	4/7 NW	5/7 NE	5/7 N	6/8 NE
300	3/8 N	4/9 N	2/5 SW	3/6 NE	5/11 N	3/10 N	3/6 NE
Glen	2/9 N	4/10 NW	4/10 NW	4/9 NW	3/11 N	2/10 N	2/7 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	4/-0	5/0	5/2	6/4	6/2	5/0	4/-0
900	7/4	8/5	8/6	9/7	9/7	8/5	7/4
600	9/7	9/8	10/9	11/10	11/10	10/8	9/8
300	10/10	11/10	12/12	13/13	13/12	11/10	10/10
Glen	10/9	12/12	14/14	14/14	14/14	11/11	10/10
Freezing Level*	1800m	2200m	2300m	2300m	2100m	2000m	2000m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Feeling cooler in northerly winds which will be stronger around western hills.

Forecast for Sunday 27 Aug 2023

Weather: Any early showers in the east dying out and some brighter conditions for a time with some sunny spells. Cloud will thicken later in the day but remaining mostly dry during daylight hours, perhaps some light evening rain in the west.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% increasing to 90%, early low cloud will lift and clear most areas.

Low cloud and visibility: Patchy or scattered low cloud above 600m around northern hills will lift and clear during the morning, perhaps more low cloud around western ranges in the evening. Very good or excellent visibility developing during the day, perhaps moderate at first in the north.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to 16 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 rising to 11 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.